

Security Committee

INVESTIGATIVE STANDARDS WORKING GROUP

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Security Committee

STATINTL FROM:
Acting Chairman, Investigative
Standards Working Group

SUBJECT: Use of the Polygraph in SCI Access
(Proposed Amendment and Annex C to DCID 1/14)

1. Earlier this year, the Security Committee had asked the Investigative Standards Working Group to consider establishing Intelligence Community-wide criteria for use of the polygraph in screening applicants for SCI access (SECOM-D-035, dated 16 January 1980). On 16 October 1980, the Working Group reached full agreement on a proposal to include the polygraph examination as an additional requirement both for screening applicants and for periodic reinvestigations of personnel with SCI access. There was no dissent to the proposal. The representative was the only member not present. 25X1

2. The Investigative Standards Working Group therefore recommends that the Security Committee (a) approve the enclosed amendment and its accompanying annex to DCID 1/14, and (b) transmit the Committee's endorsement to the NFIB and the DCI for their approval and promulgation to Intelligence Community organizations. The Working Group strongly believes that polygraph interviews will provide Intelligence Community agencies/departments with an important measure of security assurance.

3. The proposed amendment to DCID 1/14 also supplements and delineates a major recommendation offered earlier by the Working Group as a result of its Personnel Security Survey (SECOM-D-235, 5 June 1980). Accordingly, the Working Group further recommends that the Security Committee address both proposals at the same time.

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